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3B9, RODRIGUES ISLAND. A station was active signing **3B9RD** during last week. Activity was on 30 meters (around 10114 kHz) at various times (around 1615z and 2100z). The station stated to QSL via IK5XCT.

3C0DX UPDATE. Countdown continues and everything is reportedly all ready. The 3C0DX Team will leave from the Madrid airport in Spain on **May 19th** at 1830z. They will arrive in Paris, France 2 hours later and take a plane to Libreville, Gabon, at 0300z on May 20th. Six hours later they will be in Africa. Flying over the Gulf of Guinea, two little planes will take them and the equipment to the island in about 2 hours. The team will spend a whole week being active 24 hours a day transmitting on all bands and all modes including satellites. QSL via EA4URE, P.O. Box 220, Madrid 28080, Spain.

5A, LIBYA. Activity from **5A1A** during June by an Italian group is reported. Activity may include 6 meters.

5X, UGANDA. Mats, SM7PKK, left for 5X-land on April 28th. He states that he is on contract for the UN and will stay in Africa for about 6 months. He also mentions that since this is a job and not a DXpedition, he will not have too much time available for ham radio. However, he plans to manage to get some minutes in from the locations he will visit. His work will take him extensively back and forth between Uganda, Zaire, Rwanda, Burundi and Tanzania. **DO NOT QSL VIA THE CALLBOOK ADDRESS.** QSL via Mats Persson, Zenithgatan 24 # 5, S-212 14 Malmoe, Sweden. He will release more information later regarding his ham activity via the DX-reflector and his WEB-Site: <http://home1.swipnet.se/~w-17565>

5Z, KENYA. Rob, 5Z4RL, the president of the Kenya Amateur Radio Society, is reportedly trying to arrange a reciprocal licensing with the USA and other countries.

ANTENNEX GOES ON-LINE. Editor-in-Chief Jack, K5CNF, reports to OPDX that

"AntenneX", a magazine all about antennas, experimentation, construction and signal problems, which is read by 14,000 in 45 countries, is now online at <http://www.antennex.com>. A free subscription is available to read the library of new monthly issues, archives, programs, etc.....

BS7H QRT FROM SCARBOROUGH REEF. A news release from Tim, N4GN, states: "The BS7H 1997 DXpedition shut down at approximately 0645Z, 03 May--much earlier than planned. The reason for the early shutdown is still not entirely clear at this time. Tim, N4GN, was in communication with the team prior to the close of their operation, however only partial details were available at that time. Further bulletins will be issued once all the facts are fully known." For additional information, please visit the BS7H 1997 Home Page (<http://www.iglou.com/n4gn/sr/>) or contact Tim Totten, N4GN, at e-mail n4gn@iglou.com or fax +1-502-239-7766.

C6, CROOKED ISLAND, BAHAMAS (Update). Joe, WB8GEX, reports this place has not been activated for several years. Population is between 300-400. He mentions if things work out, he will have a 6 meter dipole, a tri-bander, and Inverted Vs on 40 and 80 meters during his operation as **C6AJR** which takes place **May 30th through June 2nd**. QSL via Joe Pater, WB8GEX, 1894 Old Oxford Rd., Hamilton, OH 45013.

CE0, EASTER ISLAND. A Japanese operator, JA7KXD, is now active as **CE0/JA7KXD**. The station was heard on 7004 kHz at 1000z. No other details or length of stay are available at the present. QSL via home call.

CY9, ST. PAUL ISLAND. Countdown continues for the **CY9AA DXpedition**, operation slated to commence on **June 26th**, and depart the island on the morning of **July 3rd**. In an excerpt from a VERY long press release (which all OPDX InterNet Subscribers will receive the complete release) the CY9AA "Team's Mission Statement" states they will "Make as many contacts as possible on CW and SSB on all bands from 160 to 6 meters in an orderly and controlled manner that provides equal opportunity as dictated by propagation for operators from all corners of the world to complete a contact with St. Paul Island, CY9. Pay particular attention to lowering the demand for CY9 on 160 and 6 meters. Conduct ourselves in a safe and complementary manners such that all operators and callers enjoy the end result of the DXpedition. Answer requests for a QSL confirmation as quickly as possible upon our return." (per Doug/VE1PZ, Dennis/K7BV, Mike/VE9AA)

FT5Z, AMSTERDAM ISLAND. The "DX News Letter" reports **FT5ZG** finally received the amplifier sponsored by the Clipperton DX Club. Eric is now back on air. QSL via F5RQQ.

HS0, KOH CHANG (Elephant Island, Thailand). As promised, there will be a second visit to this island (IOTA **AS-125**, located North East Group) in the Gulf of Thailand. The emphasis will be working North America, but not exclusively. The following operators will be signing HS50A from 0600z on May 8-11th: E21CJN, E21EJC, HS1YL, HS1RU, HS1AAM, HS1CDX, HS1EUD, HS1OVH, HS2NS, HS2FDX, HS2JFW, HS6CMT, HS7CDI, HS7ECI and 9M2OM. They will operate from the Klong Prao Resort, on Koh Chang. Suggested CW/SSB frequencies:

CW - 1826, 3507/3522, 7007, 14024, 21024 and 28024

SSB - 7060 (split will be announced), 14260, 21260 and 28475/28260

QSLs for JA contacts ONLY is via JA9IFF and international contacts via I1JQJ (bureau or

direct). The organizers are Chamlong, HS1AAM, and Chairat, HS2FDX, on behalf of the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand. Their international liaison is Ray, G3NOM/9M2OM.

IOTA NEWS.....

- **AS-043, HACHIJO ISLAND. JA2ZTR/1** will be aired **May 17-19th**. Operators will be JA2KVB, JH2ECU and JJ2AJE. Activity will be mostly CW. QSL via bureau or direct.
- **NEW IOTA**. Reports indicate that YC8TZR and YC8VYY have transportation problems and **could not** activate **Kai Island** during this past weekend. They will try to activate Kai Island (not IOTA number yet) **May 5th** and will be there for 7 days.
- **AS-041/OKI ISLAND**. JI4POR, JM4MAQ, JM4BPV and JA4DND will be active from here as **homecall/4** from **June 28-30th**. They will operate 160-6 meters on CW/SSB with vertical antennas for low band and yagi antennas for 20-6 meters. Mainly check the IOTA frequencies. QSL to home call via bureau or direct. Hiromi, JA4DND, states that if you worked JA4DND/4 in 1989 from Oki Island and still need a QSL, he will still send it. QSL to his CBA.

JD1, OGASAWARA. It has been reported that Mr. Yamamoto, **JF1LGD/JD1**, is active and looking for the DX station. He operates mainly on 15 meters at/or around 0800-1200z.

KH7K, KURE ISLAND. Art, N2NB, has cancelled his trip which was to take place May 17-23rd. He was not able to obtain landing permission for a plane and could not arrange other transportation. BUT KEEP YOUR FINGERS CROSSED! Charles, N4BQW, reportedly is planning an operation some time this month.

OJ0, MARKET REEF. Markus/DL1IAN, Ulli/DL3YEL, Peter/DL5IO and Stefan/ DL6GV, will be active from Market Reef as **OJ0/homecall** from **June 1-6th**. Activity will be on 80-6 meter. QSLs will be automatically sent out via the bureau by DL5IO.

QSL INFO AND NEWS..... Serge, **RU6BV**, who is 23 years old, states he and **RV6AQ** are on the air weekly (calling their net the "Information Desk"). They are on 3620 kHz at 0900z Sunday, where they help the many local DXers find some much needed information about QSL Managers, DXpedition, etc. Serge also mentions he is the QSL Manager for **RV6ASY**, **UA6ART**, **RW6AWM**, **RZ6AZH** and **RZ6AXE**. He also offers his QSL services to any DX station. He will print your QSL cards (if you want it) which he reports "with the fine quality, from 2 color to full-color photo QSL. And I DO NOT NEED your money! I need only you to agree and the logs. And I WANT to help you and any DXers!" (ed. SUCH A DEAL!) Serge's address can be found in the callbook or write to: Serge Guryew, RU6BV, Kadoshkay str. 13/1, Tuapse-3, 352800, RUSSIA. Or by the telephone/fax: +7 (86167) 31039 from 0400-1300z (Monday-Friday).

R1, FRANZ JOSEF LAND. Good News! Nick, **R1FJV**, will still continue to be active until the **end of the year**. His activity is mainly CW on 40-10 meters. QSL via UA3AGS.

TT8, CHAD. Baldur, DJ6SI, is currently active as **TT8DX**. Activity is supposed to last **through** the week (**May 9th**). Baldur enjoys working mainly CW. Check all bands especially 1828, 3508/3510-15 and on 40-10 meters, look for him 25 kHz/up 5. He was heard on 17 and 30 meters. QSL via DJ6SI.

V5, NAMIBIA. Laurence, GM4DMA, is planning to be active on all HF bands including 6 meters for **one month beginning June 17th**. He will be signing **V5/GM4DMA**.

VP2M, MONTSERRAT. Begin looking for Graham, G0VNW, from Montserrat as **VP2MGG after May 7th**. He will be using a G5RV or a vertical at first until a better antennas system arrives later. He operates mainly SSB but will try CW from time to time. QSL via WB2YQH.

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